

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 859

Introduced by Assembly Member Nakano

February 20, 2003

An act relating to water, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 859, as introduced, Nakano. Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002: Water management.

The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002, an initiative measure approved by the voters on November 5, 2002, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$3,440,000,000 for the purposes of financing a safe drinking water, water quality, and water reliability program.

This bill would appropriate \$30,000,000 from bond funds made available by the initiative measure to the State Coastal Conservancy to finance the establishment and operation of a regionally-based collaborative network of ocean observing systems to monitor the California coast for the purposes of water management.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. (a) The sum of thirty million dollars
2 (\$30,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the Water Security,
3 Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Fund of 2002
4 to the State Coastal Conservancy, in accordance with Section
5 79561 of the Water Code, for the establishment and operation of

1 a regionally-based collaborative network of ocean observing
2 systems to monitor the California coast for the purpose of water
3 management.

4 (b) The State Coastal Conservancy may only allocate funds
5 pursuant to subdivision (a) if it determines that allocation meets
6 the requirements of Division 26.5 (commencing with Section
7 79500) of the Water Code.

